

## THOUSANDS CAME

To witness the Opening of "Anniversary Week" at

### THE STONE & THOMAS STORES

LAST EVENING—SUCH A CRUSH HAS NEVER BEEN EQUALLED IN THIS CITY—THE CROWDS ON THE STREET BLOCKADED THE STREET CAR LINE FOR THIRTY MINUTES—NO GOODS SOLD LAST NIGHT—CONCERT BY OPERA HOUSE BAND.

Stone & Thomas' "Fiftieth Anniversary Sale" opening took place last evening. In anticipation it had been marked as a great success; in reality it was greater than Manager Stone and his hundred co-workers even for an instant dreamed of.

During the day the great department store was thronged with customers, eager to reach the goal of bargains that awaited them in such wondrous array from basement to sixth floor. Customer No. 1 scored the first touchdown (purchase) just about a minute after the doors swung open, and after that it was one unbroken rush until early evening, when the doors were closed and preparations made for the formal opening and concert, beginning at 8 o'clock.

At 7 o'clock there were several hundred people gathered around the entrance of the store. At 7:30 the number had passed the thousand mark. At 7:45 the street was jammed with struggling and impatient humanity, eager to enter the "Promised Land" of Bargainland. At that hour there was a street car blockade, the motormen being actually unable for about thirty minutes to push their cars through the crowd that extended from curb to curb. At 8 o'clock the doors were opened and at the same moment the Opera House orchestra struck up the opening strains of Sousa's "The Stars and Stripes Forever."

The way that crowd poured into the building was worth witnessing, but to be in the midst of it was worth about as much—your clothes. In a jiffy the entire building was filled with people, and still there were 1,200 or 1,500 outside. Finally the front doors were closed and not reopened until some on the inside had passed out at a rear exit. Then the doors were closed again. This was repeated several times during the earlier part of the evening, and it was not until 9 o'clock that the front doors were allowed to remain open. And even then the building was uncomfortably filled.

During the evening the Opera House orchestra gave the following programme: March—"The Stars and Stripes" Forever. Sousa. Overture—"The Drummer of the Guard." Tull. Dance—"The Clown's Frolic." Toesben. Medley—"At the Music Hall." Beyer. Waltz—"Starlight." Herbert. Piccolo Solo. Polka—"The Turtle Dove." Melodies from "The Lady Slavey." Kerker. March—"Cotton Blossoms." Hall. Waltz—"Birds' Voices." Kerker. Cocoman Dance. Tobain. March—"A Hot Time." Mertz.

"Not a sale was made to-night," was the startling reply to a question put at Manager W. E. Stone, as to the amount of business transacted last night. The crush was so great that it was found impossible to do business satisfactorily. "But," continued Mr. Stone, "we want our friends to remember that this is our 'Anniversary Week,' and from now until Saturday night we will be ready to serve our patrons better than we have ever before served them."

Mr. Stone attributes the remarkable success of last night's opening largely to the generous use of "Printers' Ink," which has always been the policy of the firm.

### NO LEGAL DEVELOPMENTS

In the Contest Between the City and Wheeling Railway.

There were no legal developments yesterday in the contest between the city, represented by the board of public works and the Wheeling Railway Company, brought about early Sunday morning by the attempt of the board's employees to change the grade at the corner of Twelfth and Market streets. The reply to the bill filed by the railroad company when it secured the temporary injunction will be made by Messrs Caldwell & Caldwell, representing the city, to-day probably, and then there will be an argument on the motion to make the injunction permanent.

Yesterday, the employees of the Wheeling & Elm Grove company were busily engaged in laying rails on Twelfth street on the old grade. This indicates confidence that the court will sustain the injunction and prevent the proposed change in grade. If the decision goes against the railroad the Wheeling & Elm Grove company will be put to considerable expense in accommodating its tracks on Twelfth street to the new grade.

### SUCCESSFUL RALLY

Of the Christian Endeavorers at English Lutheran Church.

The rally of the Christian Endeavor societies of this city at the English Lutheran church last night was quite a success. There was a large audience present, and an interesting programme was rendered, concluding with an excellent talk by Rev. J. H. Little. Contributing the musical numbers were Mrs. Frank Stanton and Mr. W. M. Clemans. Miss Mattie Shields gave a splendid recitation.

Members were present from the Christian Endeavor societies from the following churches: First, Second and Third Presbyterian, Baptist and Christian.

### "VANITY FAIR."

The managers of the Grand Opera House extend a hearty invitation to the ladies to attend any performance of "Vanity Fair" at the Grand Opera House, October 28, 29 and 30, as it is guaranteed to be strictly refined and the most gorgeously envied production, both in scenic effect and beautiful costumes now before the public. The company combines the best and most widely known talent, famed for their specialties the world over. There is something sure to please everyone and the whole has been delighting thousands. Among others are Hanley & Jarvis, eccentric comedians; Weston Sisters, comedienne; Mitchell & Jess, as "The Irishman and the Sport"; Shevett & Newell, comedy pair experts; Rita Durano, the vital soprano; Mahr Sisters, grotesque dancers; Beale Stanton, original bronze model; Marguerite Teagan, charming female baritone (twice); Annie Newell, soprano; La Belle Parson, marvelous female baritone; Lena La Convier, wonderful soprano and Nellie Berwick, the \$10,000 beauty.

THE "P AND R" COMMITTEE. The council committee on petitions and remonstrances held a short meeting last evening and recommended to council the granting of a liquor license to Andrew McInley at 1516 Main street. Applications for a shooting gallery license and an auctioneer's license were also passed upon favorably.

## MR. FORGEY AGAIN

Corrects an Inadvertent Error in a Former Communication—Continues his Defense of the Municipal Refunding Loan.

SIR:—Permit me to correct two errors that occur in my communication, published this morning. I said, referring to the loan of 1885, the books further show, \$77,000 of the 1877 bonds were redeemed with the issue of this loan. I should have said bonds of 1871, instead of 1877. Again in making up the summary of the city's debt to January 1, 1898, I added the unbonded debt on the Main street bridge, amounting to \$15,000, twice; I did not intend to be unfair; deducting this amount from the gross increase of debt the latter is reduced to \$13,125.39 and the net appreciation of the city's assets should be \$181,874.39, instead of \$166,874.39, as given by me.

But I also said, "This does not look much like reducing the debt \$30,000 per year." I intended this to apply to an assertion of the Register that the debt is being reduced at the rate of \$30,000 per year; the reduction of the debt has been less than \$15,000 per annum in the last fourteen years.

It may interest taxpayers and anticipate queries that may be made by those who will interest themselves enough to study this refunding ordinance carefully before voting upon it. To know how much money was paid upon the city's debt in the last fourteen years in addition to the interest \$401,435.10 paid; bonds have been paid as follows:

Balance of loan 1871.....\$121,000.00  
Less amount refunded 1885.....77,000.00

Balance redeemed.....\$44,000.00  
Balance public building loan 1875.....\$24,000.00  
On account loan 1892.....10,000.00  
On account loan 1877.....84,500.00  
On account loan 1881.....54,100.00  
On account loan 1885.....31,200.00

Total redemption of bonds.....\$267,800.00  
Add to this the interest paid.....401,435.10

Total bonds and interest paid.....\$679,235.10

Progress, in a recent article in the Register, says it will cost taxpayers \$997,000 to pay off the new loan in event of its approval by the people, and he is opposed to paying \$472,000 in interest, and yet the sum so near to a million dollars is distributed over a period of thirty-four years and cannot bear heavily upon taxpayers. Does it not seem like a sham in any taxpayer to say he would rather see his taxes dissipated in interest within a short space of time, than distributed in improvements upon our streets and in sewers so badly needed? Here is two-thirds of a million dollars spent in fourteen years and nothing added to our city's municipal ownership, save a new bridge, an electric light plant, a crematory, properties probably costing, altogether, two hundred thousand dollars. In entailing part of this sum as its interest, upon future generations, we put it in, upon a shape and at so moderate a cost for interest that it will be no hardship to take care of it and with it we propose to give improved streets, and sewers, gas works and water works in a manner self-sustaining and eventually an electric light plant, as the contemplated refund does not include its bonds.

I would again press into the taxpayer that much of the \$267,800 paid upon bonds was paid by the gas and water boards, but in future the taxpayer must pay these bonds and which is better for him, to pay them with four and one-half per cent interest, or with four per cent interest?

En passant, as the French would say, the \$10,000 worth of compromise bonds paid for, cost but \$7,500, thus the taxpayer was relieved of paying \$2,500.

The balance of these bonds, or many of them, can be taken up now at less than their par value, but as the saving would not be great and such a transaction would savor of speculation and might reflect upon the credit of the city the committee has deemed it best to allow them to mature.

A. H. FORGEY.

Wheeling, October 25.

### THE REFUNDING LOAN.

A Citizen Tells What Some of the Advantages are.

To the Editor of the Intelligencer.

SIR:—I am free to confess that I have not carefully read up the full provisions of the refunding ordinance, but my understanding is that it departs from the old style of ordinance and places before the investing public a loan in series, that may be intelligently bid on and the bidder can calculate to a cent just what the investment will pay at any fixed term—say, five, ten or twenty years, and it is likely to bring a higher average premium, than was ever afforded before, thereby bringing money into the city treasury.

To the object of a loan a wise and strictly business measure, is the real and vital question that we will be called upon to decide. Let it be looked at in that light only, and we will be better able to decide which way to vote.

Every business man, with a keen eye to success, looks out for savings and a decrease of his interest account. Every workman trying to save will naturally try to find the best paying investment for his money. There are various ways of saving—small amounts set aside, reductions of expenses, getting the lowest rate of discount, or receiving the best rate of interest. Now in all these points the workman as well as the business man is directly interested, and all who are careful, prudent managers will try to follow out one of these ways for the betterment of this personal condition. Why, then, if we will do it individually, should we not as a body, do it for the good of the city. The promoters of this loan want to work to frame it strictly from a business standpoint, knowing that it would be a large saving of interest and enable the promotion of much needed work in the way of improvement, all to be accomplished without increasing the taxes one cent.

It extends the time of payment of the present city debt over a period of thirty-four years, and makes it a much easier matter for the taxpayer. If this loan is not passed on and placed, then in accordance with the provision of the existing indebtedness, the city will have to take up the whole debt within a period of nine or ten years, and the only way to do this is to increase the rate of taxation, thereby largely increasing the burden that many feel now to be too heavy. Work for the advancement of this loan and you will be working for your own interests. Work against it and you will be working against yourselves.

Wheeling, W. Va., Oct. 25.

### Chronic Invalidism.

There are people who seem to enjoy being in ill health. They run from one physician to another and appear to take actual satisfaction in being told that they have this or that trouble with a high-sounding name; but these people make sickness a fad and don't want to be well. The great struggling mass of humanity have no time for the luxury of disease; they must be in condition to fight life's battles, and illness means loss of place to them and starvation to their families; for this reason we see the pale faces going to their toil day after day, and we wonder how long before they will succumb. It is pitiful to see such suffering when help is at hand for the asking. These people are not understanding that the world's most successful physician can be consulted by everybody free of all charge. Dr. Greene, of 35 West Fourteenth Street, New York City, discoverer of the famous Nervura, will give you advice absolutely free. If you cannot take the time to call, write to him, and he will reply,

telling you what you need, and there are thousands who testify that his advice and his remedies are alike infallible. If your neighbor is ill, tell him of this offer, and he will bless you all his life.

## IN THE OIL FIELDS.

Developments in the southwest fields during the past week were not of sensational character, says "D. S. W." in his weekly review. There were fewer wells discovered and more dusters than have been the rule for some weeks. The gushers of wells above the average were found in the new southwest extension to the Elk Fork pool, and their size was such as to raise the aggregate production of the pool to more than 1,000 barrels a day at the close of the week over that of the week preceding. That is of itself no small concern, but the fact that the new wells have established a prolific extension of the pool and caused a remarkable appreciation in values to the southwest is of vast importance to lease holders in that locality. The well drilled in on the Gorrell farm shows the extension to be a quarter of a mile wide on a southeast line from the Hill well and subsequent developments add much more producing territory in that direction.

Since the Gorrell started, when drilled into the pay at 25 barrels an hour, the new strike has given a wonderful impetus to operations in that immediately vicinity, and only the scarcity of water will prevent the starting of twenty or more wells at once. It is now almost certain that the new extension will furnish a sufficient number of large wells to hold the production of the pool between 8,000 and 10,000 barrels a day for some time to come. The prospects for an extension in any direction from the old portion of the pool are not very promising. To the northeast, the Paova Oil Company is drilling a well on the Gorrell farm that will show if anything is to be expected further north than has been defined up to the present time. The production of the older wells is gradually dropping to a lower level, but all things considered close drilling and frequent shooting, they have been creditable stayers.

The South Penn Company's new strike on the Meredith farm, near Centerville, got a heavy dose of salt water when drilled deeper and stopped flowing, and will have to be put to pumping. Notwithstanding the wells started at push or speed when drilled in, there has been no great rush to start new work in that locality. The Hendersons, in Wood county, has been one of the most active and has steadily increased its production.

Three dry holes were completed along the eastern edge of the southwest extension during the past week, showing that the limits of the producing territory has been reached in that direction. The western side has not been defined. Nor has the distance it will extend to the southwest been determined. The indications favor a let up in active operations in the Berea grit territory. Wood county. Aside from the Gordon sand territory, there is none so expensive to operate as the Berea and average producers are not paying at the present market price of crude. The shallow sand territory holds out some inducements, but it is spotted and while chances for getting a producer are much less certain.

A 500-barrel producer on the Witchey farm, in the Benwood pool, was a discovery of the past week. It opens up no new territory, and is only important in size.

The southwest extension of the Elk Fork pool is widening out and promises to cover a considerable stretch of producing territory. Operations up to the present have been concentrated in the vicinity of and on a line with the original well on the Hill farm and the older developments. Aside from the size of the wells, but little importance was attached to any of them.

The Fearless Oil Company, however, made a strike on the William W. Gorrell farm yesterday that advanced the producing lines 1,700 feet southeast of the Paova Oil Company's No. 1. J. K. Hill. The well started to flow at the rate of 25 barrels an hour. This was regarded as one of the most important wells drilling in the southwest extension, and as soon as its calibre was known there was an immediate rush to that quarter, and the result is that many new locations have been made in that vicinity.

There are still thirty-one wells in the pools started making 100 or more barrels a day. The aggregate production of the thirty-one wells at the close of last week was estimated at 5,150 barrels, an increase of 1,300 barrels as compared with the estimate of the preceding week. The increase in production is due to the additional wells in the southwest extension, and one or two new producers of liberal size in the eastern extension. The run from the entire pool for the first twenty days of the present month averaged a little more than 8,000 barrels a day.

The South Penn Oil Company's well on the Meredith farm, near Centerville, Tyler county, produced 90 barrels the first twelve hours after it had been put to pumping. Its production is expected to increase when the volume of salt water has been reduced.

At Benwood, Monroe county, McFadden & Witchey & Co. drilled their No. 6, Witchey, deeper and found a second pay, increasing its production from 200 to 528 barrels a day.

### HASN'T COME IN.

The report printed in the Intelligencer that the Ramey Oil Company's No. 1 well, on the Snell farm, in the Benwood district, had come in a dry hole, turned out to be a mistake. The well is not yet in, says Mr. Ramey, and its prospects are good.

### Pullman's Will.

CHICAGO, Oct. 25.—The disposition of the estimated \$20,000,000 left by the late George M. Pullman will not be known with certainty for at least another day, it being found impossible to probate the will before to-morrow. That assurance both Mr. Robert Lincoln and Mr. Norman B. Ream, executors of the estate of the multi-millionaire, expressed with authority to-day. All sorts of stories are current in financial circles over the Pullman will. It was said positively that the estate was not worth over \$20,000,000 or \$25,000,000. Some well known La Salle street men, however, have averaged \$10,000,000 annually for a number of years. Mr. Lincoln said to-day that there were a great number of public bequests, but refused to give them out. Neither of the executors of the will would confirm or deny the statement that Mr. Pullman had disinherited his two sons, George M. and Sanger W. Pullman.

### An Awful Revenge.

CAIRO, Oct. 25.—Details just obtained of the revenge of the Dervishes upon the Jaalibi tribe caused by the refusal of the latter to join the forces of the Khalifa against the British, show it to have been terrible in the extreme. The left bank of the river between Berber and Metem was practically depopulated. The Dervishes butchered every male member of the offending tribe and took the pretty women to their harems after sending 150 women to their deaths. The Dervishes in addition threw many women and children into the river.

### To Help Tammany.

CHICAGO, Oct. 25.—Mayor Taggart, of Indianapolis, and a number of prominent Indiana Democrats, will go to New York with Mayor Harrison and the Chicago Democracy to work for the election of Tammany's candidate for mayor, Mayor Taggart will, in all

probability, make at least one speech in the New York campaign. The Indianapolis contingent may go to New York on the Chicago Democracy special train. Leon Bailey, chairman of the Indianapolis Democratic campaign committee, arrived in Chicago to-day to arrange for the eastern trip. He informed Mayor Harrison during the day of the plan for Mayor Taggart to go east and discussed with him the final arrangements for the trip.

### A Cold Blooded Murder.

Special Dispatch to the Intelligencer. WELCH, W. Va., Oct. 25.—An armed posse in the pursuit of George Kirk, who shot Albert Lanson, at Wyoming City, this county. Kirk went into a saloon at Wyoming City and handed his revolver to a woman, stepped to the back door and saw Lanson on the outside. He returned, secured the gun, walked up to Lanson and asked him if he were not good friends. Lanson told him so far as he knew they were. Kirk remarked that he was the meanest man in the state, and with this pulled the gun from his pocket and shot Lanson through the breast, from the effects of which Lanson will die.

### "Fighting Tom" Cooper's Invasion.

Special Dispatch to the Intelligencer. MORGANTOWN, W. Va., Oct. 25.—Tom Cooper, the crazy fire bug, who at Baldwin, Pa., a few days ago, set fire to a house and shot and killed three men who were battling with the flames, is reported to have been seen in this county to-day, having led the Pennsylvania officials a merry chase up the Monongahela valley into West Virginia. Great excitement prevails in this section, as he is a desperate character. The country people are keeping weapons close at hand to be used if necessary.

### Death of a Prominent Citizen.

Special Dispatch to the Intelligencer. MORGANTOWN, W. Va., Oct. 25.—John E. Carrothers, one of the best known men of the county, died last night at his home in Granville, of dropsy, aged fifty-six years. He served with distinction in Captain Thompson's company in the Union army during the late war.

### Whole Family Commits Suicide.

PARIS, Oct. 25.—A tlemaker named Guillout, his wife and four children, have committed suicide by the use of charcoal fumes at Cholsy-Le-Roy. Poverty was the cause of their self destruction.

## THE RIVER.

The Guyandotte leaves to-day at 11 a. m. for Matamoras and way landings.

The marks at 6 p. m. showed 6 inches and stationary, actual stage 16 inches. Weather, cloudy and indications of rain. Cooler last night.

The present low water epidemic is of exceeding long duration, but that of seven years ago was even longer. That season the Hudson, then in her second year, laid up just above the wharfbow at this port, on June 10, and did not turn a wheel until December 15 following, a tie-up of six months and five days.

During the low water Captain Calhoun, of the Virginia, which is tied up at the water works landing at the upper end of town, has been making hay at a remarkable rate, and when the Virginia again goes into commission, her patrons will barely recognize her. Paint and lots of it has been used with a liberality approaching recklessness, and the result is a packet just as bright and clean as she was on that stormy December day nearly two years ago, when she left Cincinnati on her initial and triumphant trip up the river.

### OHIO RIVER LOCKS.

Proposals for the construction of Ohio river locks Nos. 2, 3, 4 and 5 will be opened to-day, in Cincinnati, at 2 o'clock, in the office of Major Bixby, United States engineer. This will be the largest lot of work ever let out at one time for the improvement of the Ohio River. The contract for the building of the dams will not be made for some time. Bids will be opened at Pittsburgh next Saturday for the construction of six locks and dams on the upper Monongahela river.

### River Telegrams.

GRENSBORO—River 4 feet 5 inches and falling. Cloudy and threatening. The Adam Jacobs and Nellie Hudson due down Tuesday; the James G. Blaine and Florence Belle up.

MORGANTOWN—River 6 feet 2 inches and stationary. Cool and cloudy. The James G. Blaine and Florence Belle departed.

OIL CITY—River zero and stationary. Clear and cool.

BROWNVILLE—River 3 feet 7 inches and stationary.

PITTSBURGH—River 1.3 feet and stationary at the dam. Clear and pleasant.

STEBENVILLE—River 8 1/2 inches and stationary. Clear and warm.

PARKERSBURG—Ohio river 1 foot 2 inches and rising. Weather cloudy and mercury at 61. No boats. Little Kanawha stationary.

### TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY

Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund the money if it fails to cure. 25c.

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You can talk freely to a woman when it is revolting to relate your private troubles to a man—besides, a man does not understand—simply because he is a man.

Many women suffer in silence and drift along from bad to worse, knowing full well that they ought to have immediate assistance, but a natural modesty impels them to shrink from exposing themselves to the questions and probably examinations of even their family physician. It is unnecessary. Without money or price you can consult a woman, whose knowledge from actual experience is greater than any local physician in the world. The following invitation is freely offered; accept it in the same spirit:

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Women suffering from any form of female weakness are invited to promptly communicate with Mrs. Pinkham at Lynn, Mass. All letters are received, opened, read and answered by women only. A woman can freely talk of her private ills to a woman; thus has been established the eternal confidence between Mrs. Pinkham and the women of America which has never been broken.

Out of the vast volume of experience which she has to draw from, it is more than possible that she has gained the very knowledge that will help your case. She asks nothing in return except your good-will, and her advice has relieved thousands. Surely any woman, rich or poor, is very foolish if she does not take advantage of this generous offer of assistance.—Lydia E. Pinkham, Medicine Co., Lynn, Mass.

### CINDERELLA RANGES.



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Who are interested in good housekeeping should examine the Cinderella Ranges before you buy; they contain all the latest improvements, are good bakers, and perfect roasters, and are sold with that understanding. Made in all styles and sizes to meet every requirement. Quick to act—Easy to bake.

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### CLAIMS FRAUD

And Sues for Recovery of Stock—J. Pierpont Morgan a Defendant.

NEW YORK, Oct. 25.—According to a summons and complaint filed in the county clerk's office to-day, Charles Austin Bates claims he has been defrauded of \$2,000,000 worth of stock of the General Electric Railway Company, of Chicago, and he names the members of the firm of J. Pierpont Morgan & Co., as defendants in the suit to recover it; the other defendants being Lucius Clark, A. G. Wheeler and Perry A. Hull, of Chicago.

Bates in his complaint alleges that defendant Clark, who then held a considerable amount of stock in the company, came to him and represented to him (Bates) and other stockholders, that in order to successfully carry out the objects for which the corporation was created, and to secure the passage of ordinances allowing the use of certain streets in Chicago, it was necessary to have a controlling interest in the stock of the company placed temporarily in the hands of one person.

Bates says he turned over to Clark his 20,000 shares on Clark's promise to return them as soon as the objects he represented were accomplished, but that he had repeatedly tried in vain to get Clark to return the stock.

Bates says he then discovered that Clark transferred it to a man named Stinson, who in turn transferred it either to J. Pierpont Morgan, or to J. Pierpont Morgan & Co., who, Bates says, now have it in their possession.

All the transfers, Bates declares, were pretended and made without consideration, and he brings suit to recover the stock and asks the court for an injunction restraining the defendants from disposing of the stock.

### M. E. Home Missions.

BALTIMORE, Md., Oct. 25.—The delegates and board of managers of the sixteenth annual woman's home missionary convention of the Methodist Episcopal church, which is holding its sessions at the Fayette street church in this city, devoted the largest part of today's session to the annual election of officers. The following were re-elected: Presidents, Mrs. Clinton B. Fisk, of New York City; Vice Presidents, Mrs. Jane Bancroft Robinson, of Detroit; Mrs. H. C. McCabe, of Delaware, Ohio; Mrs. F. S. Hoyt, of Berea, Ohio; Mrs. Bishop Walden, of Cincinnati, Ohio. Corresponding secretary, Mrs. R. S. Rust, of Cincinnati, Ohio; recording secretary, Mrs. P. A. Alken, Cincinnati, O.; treasurer, Mrs. Della Lathrop Williams, Delaware, Ohio.

### Will Quit Presbyterian Church.

PRINCETON, N. J., Oct. 25.—Prof. Charles W. Shields, of Princeton University, authorizes the statement that in consequence of the "unjust, unconstitutional and defamatory action" of certain presbyteries and synods, involving his good name, he has decided, for his own personal protection, to separate himself from the Presbyterian church in a constitutional manner with the least possible delay. This refers to the granting of a liquor license to the Princeton Inn, Prof. Shields being one of the signers of the petition for the granting of the license.

### Yellow Fever at Cincinnati.

CINCINNATI, Ohio, Oct. 25.—A well defined, but very mild case of yellow fever arrived in Cincinnati from Mobile, Ala. It was that of August Wikke, who was found in the house of Mrs. Jane M. Moreland, on Champlain street, Lick Run, which is in the extreme western part of the city.

"I AM an old soldier of the rebellion. A year ago I was in bed all winter with chronic rheumatism. Three doctors failed to give me relief. Two bottles of Burdock Blood Purifiers put me on my feet. It is worth its weight in gold." W. B. Knapp, Litchfield, Hillsdale Co., Mich.

J. S. RHODES & CO.

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